

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

I just received my first Mustang Times (January, '80 issue), and never before have I seen a Shelby with a large McDonald's sign attached to its roof. It must be tough on tunnels too. Does the sign revolve as you drive?? Does it light up at night? What does the Shelby Club think of this modification?

My wife, who can't read, thought the book was a McDonald's ad. She recognized the emblem, if not the car. Are there any Mustangs around with "Burger King" on their roofs?

Pete Daly
East Northport, New York

Dear Editor:

Congratulations on the new, larger format for the Club's magazine. Looked in vain, though, for some reference to the identity of the car on the front and back covers. Maybe you will clear up the mystery in the next issue.

I think Jim Smart of Altus, Oklahoma and his project "In Search of Mustangs" will benefit the entire hobby. I have sent him data on a 1964½ Mustang convertible I own. It has a rather low serial number: 5F06F131626. The data plate on the driver's door is missing so I am unable to determine its exact date of assembly. About the best I can do is peg it as during the first two weeks of April, 1964. It still requires much restoration.

My own project has involved restoration of Mustang convertibles of each year built from 1964½ to 1973. So far, I have owned and restored all except the 1969. I am still looking for a nice '69 to restore. I have seen several "basket cases", but not one decent '69 convertible. That really puzzles me as they were not all that rare. The rarest..the 1971 convertible can be located easily.

I currently own and am restoring what should be the rarest Mustang of all! It's a 1971 convertible that was owned by the Ford family and was driven by William Clay Ford's daughter, Martha. The car was taken off the line by Ford and sent to Ford's Design Center in Dearborn for special work that included a white leather with blue piping interior, a carpeted trunk and spare tire cover and the daughter's monogram in raised letters on a metal plaque on each door. I have all the necessary documents to verify the above, including a letter from The Ford Motor Company.

So, this will be a unique car when restored. It will be the only Mustang like it in the world. Having spent most of its life in snow-country, it has some rust..but, the interior and mechanical condition is excellent. Will furnish you some photos when restoration is complete, if your are interested.

Robert Prescott
Covington, Georgia

EDITOR'S NOTE: We would love to have photos and your complete story of restoration so that this car can be shared by all.

Remember, we need approximately 6 colored slides for the cover and about 12 black & white photos for our inside story.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Surprise! You guessed it. Not only were you surprised, but so were we. Our printer inadvertently switched the January and February covers; therefore, we are running Lynn Brown's car in the February issue along with Gary Schwartz's Boss 351. We apologize for this mistake and hope that Lynn and Gary will forgive us.

CRITERIA FOR BEING SELECTED FOR CAR OF THE MONTH:

We will feature cars as Car of the Month modified or stock that are submitted with good, clear pictures (6 colored slides for cover and 12 black & white photos for inside story) along with an interesting story. It is not necessary that these cars be restored only that we feel might be interesting to our readers.

We have received many cars that we would like to do, but the photographs are just not good enough to reproduce, i.e., too dark, too light, fuzzy, Polaroids, etc. These do not do your car or our readers any justice.

PRESIDENT MESSAGE

Welcome to our most recent additions to our growing number of regional groups:

Mid-America Regional Group
c/o Terry Shehorn
120 Smith Avenue
Flora, Illinois 62839

Mustangs of Buffalo
c/o Ray Kelur
6586 Schuyler Drive
Derby, New York 14047

If we have any members in these areas wishing to participate with these groups, please contact them at the above addresses.

I would like to announce that the 1980 Mustang Club of America Judging Rule Book is now available from National Headquarters. The price is \$1.50 each and regional groups may contact National Headquarters for prices for bulk purchases.

We would also like to announce that the 1980 Mustang Club of America Membership Roster is now at the printer's and should be mailed out approximately the middle of February.

We have not yet been advised of 1980 Presidents and National Board of Directors Members along with their mailing addresses for inclusion in The Mustang Times. If you have not done so, please do as quickly as possible.

As you will see on Page 16 through 19, we have published four pages out of our 1980 Rule Book. We will continue in March and April to publish the balance. We will be also notifying you, in the future, of any changes made to these rules.

George White, President